only do the weak need the strong, but the strong need the weak." It's hard to explain that in a day and age where physical perfection is so highly valued, but I know it to be true.

Senator Frist, as you fight this battle today, hold fast. If ever the weak needed a champion, it is now.

on behalf of my sweet Sasha . . .

Then the e-mail is signed.

I close tonight with those powerful words.

# ORDERS FOR MONDAY, MARCH 21,

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 4 p.m. on Monday, March 21; I further ask that following the prayer and the pledge, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the Journal of the proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and the Senate begin a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

# PROGRAM

Mr. FRIST. On Monday, the Senate will convene for a short period of morning business. There will be no rollcall votes, although we hope to finish our business with respect to the legislation relating to my comments on the Theresa Marie Shiavo case.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Chairman GREGG and Senator CONRAD for the tremendous, standing work on the budget resolution this week. Today alone, we conducted 25 votes to complete this resolution. Although it was not a record in terms of votes in 1 day, I would guess that we broke the land speed record as to the greatest number of votes in the shortest timeframe. We started voting at 1:17 and finished our last vote just after 10 p.m. It is ironic, but last night, I believe, on the floor in the evening we predicted-and it is rare to predictthat we would finish sometime around 10 p.m. tonight, and indeed we may have missed it by a couple of minutes.

I thank all of our colleagues for their patience and endurance. I hope we finish our work on the Schiavo issue early next week and, if so, we will begin the Easter break.

### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2005 AT 4 P.M.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 11:48 p.m., adjourned until Monday, March 21, 2005, at 4 p.m.

# NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate March 17, 2005:

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

JOSEPH H. BOARDMAN, OF NEW YORK, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION, VICE ALLAN RUTTER, RESIGNED.

#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

JOHN ROBERT BOLTON, OF MARYLAND, TO BE THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE UNITED NATIONS, WITH THE RANK AND STATUS OF AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY, AND THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

JOHN ROBERT BOLTON, OF MARYLAND, TO BE REP-RESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE SESSIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS DURING HIS TENURE OF SERVICE AS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE UNITED NATIONS.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

STEPHEN L. JOHNSON, OF MARYLAND, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, VICE MICHAEL O. LEAVITT.

#### EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

JOHN D. NEGROPONTE, OF NEW YORK, TO BE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE. (NEW POSITION)

#### IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

#### To be lieutenant colonel

ROBERT B. ROTTSCHAFER, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

### To be lieutenant colonel

CHRISTINE A. LIDDLE, 0000

#### IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

### To be colonel

CECIL D. ALLEN, 0000 LAWRENCE J. ASHLEY, 0000 WAYNE E. KOWAL, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

### To be colonel

THOMAS E. BERON, 0000 ANDREW R. BRADBURY, 0000 KENNETH J. VEGA, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

## To be colonel

BRAD K. BLACKNER, 0000 KEVIN M. CIEPLY, 0000 WILLARD G. FINCH, 0000 MORRIS E. NELSON, 0000 MARVIN A. ZERR, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE  $10, \mathrm{U.S.C.}$ , SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

### To be colonel

MICHAEL J. BOUCHARD, 0000 PHILIP E. DYER, 0000 CAROL A. EGGERT, 0000 JOHN T. GERESKI, JR, 0000 DEBRA A. ROSE, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT AS PERMANENT PROFESSORS AT THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY IN THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 4333(B):

### To be lieutenant colonel

GREGORY L. DANIELS, 0000 MICHAEL D. PHILLIPS, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY NURSE CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND

### To be major

CINDY W. BALTRUN, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY MEDICAL CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624

### To be major

RICHARD L. URSONE, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY MEDICAL CORPS APPOINTMENT UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 3064:

### To be major

THANH MINH DO, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY MEDICAL CORPS AND FOR REGULAR APPOINTMENT UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 531, 624, AND 3064:

#### To be major

LORINE LAGATTA, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AND FOR REGULAR APPOINTMENT UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 531 AND 624:

To be major

GARY ZEITZ, 0000

#### IN THE MARINE CORPS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION

#### To be colonel

AMY V. DUNNING, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED LIMITED DUTY OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

#### To be lieutenant colonel

DAVID J. WILSON, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

# To be major

MICHAEL AKSELRUD, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR ORIGINAL REGULAR APPOINTMENT AS PERMANENT LIMITED DUTY OFFICERS TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 531 AND 5589:

### To be captain

CHARLES R. BAUGHN, 0000 CHRISTOPHER F. BERGERON, 0000 ROBERT BOYERO, 0000 KEITH D. BURGESS, 0000 RICHARD CANEDO, 0000 CHRISTOPHER J. COX, 0000 DOUGLAS R. CUNNINGHAM, 0000 CHRISTOPHER A. DAVIS, 0000 MORRIS A. DESIMONE III, 0000 DANIEL E. DESMIT, 0000 JOHN DIGIOVANNI, 0000 MICHAEL D. DODSON, 0000 JAMES S. DUCKER, 0000 MICHAEL W. DUNCAN, 0000 CHRISTOPHER S. EICHNER, 0000 RICHARD D. EKBORG, 0000 JOSE A. FALCHE, 0000 CHRISTOPHER L. FIELDS, 0000 PEDRO B. GOMEZ, 0000 MICHAEL A. GRAHAM, 0000 GERALD D. HABIGER, 0000 KYLE B. HANNER, 0000
JULIE C. HENDRIX, 0000
MARK L. HOBIN, 0000
BRANDEE G. HOLBROOK, 0000 BRANDEE G. HOLBROOK, 0000
JOHN L. HYA'TT, JR., 0000
DONALD A. JOHNSON, 0000
TROY A. KACZMARSKI, 0000
DANIEL C. KOCH, 0000
THOMAS J. LIPPERT, 0000
JUNIOR L. LOGAN, 0000
THOMAS J. LIPPERT, 0000
JUNIOR L. MANNING, 0000
LUIS A. MARIN, 0000
LUIS A. MARIN, 0000
LARRY MIYA MOTO, 0000
CHRISTOPHER N. NORRIS, 0000
TERRY G. NORRIS, 0000
TERRY G. NORRIS, 0000
PAUL E. QUICKENTON, 0000
DONALD E. REID, JR., 0000
JAMES R. REUSSE, JR., 0000 JAMES R. REUSSE, JR., 0000 JAMES C. ROSE, 0000 RONALD J. ROSTEK, JR., 0000 MARK S. ROY, 0000 SHANNON W. SIMS, 0000 SAMUEL W SPENCER III, 0000 BRIAN J SPOONER, 0000 BRYAN S TEET, 0000 JAMES R TOWNEY, 0000 WILLIAM C TRAQUAIR, 0000 BRIAN L WHITE, 0000 TIMOTHY P WOODRING, 0000 PHILLIP J WOODWARD, 0000

# CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate March 17, 2005: